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SUBJECT: LAO REPRESENTATION AT NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

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1. I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DISCUSS LAO REPRESENTATION AT ALGIERS NON-LIGNED CONFERENCE NOR POSITION WE WOULD LIKE RLG TO TAKE ON SEATING OF CAMBODIAN AND PRG DELEGATIONS WITH SOUVANNA SINCE I RAISED IT WITH HIM ON JULY 31 REPORTED REF A. SOUVANNA IS COMPLETELY ABSORBED IN HIS PRESENT EFFORTS TO COMPLETE INTERNAL LAO NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO FORMATION OF COALITION GOVERNMENT AND IS FOCUSING ON LITTLE ELSE.

2. AT THE AUGUST 15 LAO CABINET MEETING THE QUESTION OF WHO WOULD LEAD THE RLG DELEGATION TO THE ALGIERS CONFERENCE WAS DISCUSSED. SOUVANNA SUGGESTED THAT THE LAO AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED KINGDOM, INPENG SURYADHAY, WOULD BE THE HEAD. THE PRIME MINISTER'S PROPOSAL WAS CRITICIZED BY SOME CABINET MEMBERS WHO PROPOSED SISOUK, MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ACTING DEFENSE MINISTER, SHOULD LEAD THE RLG DELEGATION
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THEREBY GIVING LAO DELEGATION GREATER WEIGHT. PRIME

MINISTER REJECTED THIS PROPOSAL BECAUSE, IN HIS OPINION, ALL KEY LAO LEADERS MUST REMAIN IN COUNTRY UNTIL LAO NEGOTIATIONS ARE COMPLETED.

3. THE RLG IS UNDER CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE BY OTHER COUNTRIES SUCH AS YUGOSLAVIA TO SEND A HIGH LEVEL DELEGATION TO ALGIERS. YUGOSLAV CHARGE, WHO IS STATIONED IN BANGKOK, RECENTLY DELIVERED PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM TITO TO SOUVANNA, BUT WITH THE LAO NEGOTIATIONS HANGING IN THE BALANCE, NO DECISION WILL PROBABLY BE TAKEN ON WHO WILL REPRESENT RLG UNTIL AFTER THE DOMESTIC PROBLEM HAS BEEN RESOLVED. AS SOON AS WE KNOW WHO IS GOING TO REPRESENT RLG, AND SOUVANNA HAS TIME TO THINK ABOUT SOMETHING OTHER THAN THE NEGOTIATIONS, I WILL TALK TO HIM FORTHWITH TO IMPRESS UPON HIM AGAIN OUR POSITION ON SEATING OF CAMBODIAN AND PRG DELEGATIONS.
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